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Re: Docket No. 03-0372, Instituting a Proceeding to Investigate Competitive Bidding for New Generating Capacity in Hawaii

Dear Parties:

Ordering Paragraph No. 1 of Decision and Order No. 22588, filed on June 30, 2006, requires the Parties to file their respective comments on the Commission's proposed Competitive Bidding Framework and address the issues set forth in Section III.D of Decision and Order No. 22588 (the "Parties' Comments"), by July 31, 2006.¹

By letter dated July 31, 2006, the Consumer Advocate, on behalf of the Parties, requests a one (1)-week extension of time, from July 31, 2006 to August 7, 2006, to file the Parties' Comments. In support of the timely request for additional time, the Consumer Advocate represents:

¹The Parties are Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company, Limited, Kauai Island Utility Cooperative, Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance, and the Division of Consumer Advocacy ("Consumer Advocate").

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Due to the procedural schedules set forth in other docketed matters,² and the need to comply with such schedules, the [Consumer Advocate] has been unable to complete its comments on the proposed Framework and address the issues set forth in Section III.D. of D&O 22588. As a result, the Consumer Advocate requests a one-week extension of time to comply with Ordering paragraph 1 of D&O 22588 (i.e., from July 31, 2006 to August 7, 2006). The requested extension would also apply to the filing[s] of the other Parties in the proceeding (i.e., all Parties would file their comments on the proposed Framework and issues set forth in Section III.D. of D&O 22588 on August 7, 2006).³

Consumer Advocate's letter, dated July 31, 2006, at 1 – 2 (footnotes and text therein retained).

We will treat the Consumer Advocate's July 31, 2006 letter as a motion for extension of time ("Motion"), pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §§ 6-61-23 and 6-61-41.⁴ We hereby grant the Consumer Advocate's Motion and approve the request for an extension of time (from July 31, 2006 to August 7, 2006) to file the Parties' Comments. Should you have any questions, please contact Michael Azama at 586-2033.

Sincerely,



Carlito P. Caliboso
Chairman

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²For example, the preparation of the Consumer Advocate's Statement of Position filed in Docket No. 06-0120 and the discussions that have continued to take place on that application, as well as the negotiations that have taken place in Docket No. 05-0103 are examples of two docketed matters that have required a significant amount of time and resources.

³The Parties have indicated that they do not object to the requested extension of time to comply with Ordering paragraph 1 of D&O 22588.

⁴Pursuant to: (1) HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1), the Commission for good cause shown may order a period enlarged if a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed; and (2) HAR § 6-61-41(e), motions that do not involve the final determination of a proceeding may be determined by the chairperson or commissioner.